To: Ms. Brenda Wisneski

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Dear Ms. Wisneski:

I have been a Balboa Peninsula resident for many years and a property owner for over 35 years. I am returning the additional cards that were put on my car with a prepaid postage to show you that I am disturbed by the waste of funds these generated. When the majority of my neighbors discovered that the City of Newport Beach was hoping to put into effect a parking permit that would cost those of us who live here and already pay rather high taxes, we felt that it was a very disturbing and complex issue. Many residents have homes that do not have garages since they are older residences and the fact that we already have in effect a Monday/Tuesday side of the street mandated parking for street cleaning, and also the unusual (and ONLY) street on the peninsula with 32 additional homes at the end of Island Avenue with many of those residents who prefer to park on our street rather than use their own parking garage which has 2 spaces per home at the end of our street. Not only would we be the only area "penalized" by having to pay for parking on our own streets identified as from 7th Street to Palm Street rather than assessing the entire peninsula. Our area is the only one which has multiple public parking lots as compared to other areas of the peninsula which do not. The other item which alarmed many of my neighbors and myself was the timing when these violations would occur, from 4 PM until 8 AM which is when the majority of individuals who are visiting our peninsula area for our beaches and other attractions have already left, so the people who would be most affected would be us, the property owners who are home. Not only does that present a problem, but if any property owners wanted to have guests, we would be required to buy additional permits (maximum number of 4) and then be available to give them to our guests so that they would be "allowed" to park on our streets. I find myself wondering if all of Newport Beach would allow this to be in effect? If you live in Newport Beach, would you want to pay to park on one of your residential streets? It is a disturbing and absolutely preposterous solution to our parking problems on the peninsula and would essentially affect only those of us property owners on these specific streets.

If this proposal SHOULD ever go into effect, the only "fair and equitable" idea would be to totally make <u>ALL</u> of Newport Beach become permit parking and my assumption would be that you would see an alarming lack of tourists visiting our area which would result in diminished revenue which seems to be the sole reason for this rather foolish solution.

My particular street deals daily with additional people who actually own garage space and still persist in parking on our street. To penalize us by requiring us to buy permits to park on our own streets will result in very angry property owners.

Sincerely Yours,

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